HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT[441]

Notice of Intended Action

Proposing rule making related to five-year rules review and providing an opportunity for public comment

The Human Services Department hereby proposes to amend Chapter 96, "Information and Records," Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rule Making

This rule making is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 252B.9.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 252B.9.

Purpose and Summary

Chapter 96 was reviewed as part of the Department's five-year rules review. Title IV-D of the Social Security Act provides that state child support agencies providing services under the Act shall have access to information and records from third parties to assist in providing services. These rules provide the framework for a child support agency to request or administratively subpoena information from employers and other sources.

Technical changes are proposed as a result of the five-year rules review. A reference to an obsolete form is being replaced with current information. A mailing address is also proposed to be amended.

Fiscal Impact

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rule making would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Department for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to rule 441—1.8(17A,217).

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit written comments concerning this proposed rule making. Written comments in response to this rule making must be received by the Department no later than 4:30 p.m. on November 22, 2022. Comments should be directed to:

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1305 East Walnut Street
Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0114
Email: appeals@dhs.state.ia.us

Public Hearing

No public hearing is scheduled at this time. As provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b," an oral presentation regarding this rule making may be demanded by 25 interested persons, a governmental subdivision, the Administrative Rules Review Committee, an agency, or an association having 25 or more members.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its regular monthly meeting or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rule-making actions are proposed:

ITEM 1. Amend paragraph 96.1(3)"a" as follows:

a. Form 470-3232, Employer Verification Request, Form 470-0177 470-0177M, Employment and Health Insurance Questionnaire, or other forms as specified in appropriate rules from the child support recovery unit which request information described at subrule 96.1(1).

ITEM 2. Amend paragraph 96.3(2)"b" as follows:

b. If a child support agency of another state issued the request or subpoena, the person or entity may request a conference with the child support recovery unit or with the child support agency of the other state. The person or entity shall request a conference with the child support recovery unit by mailing or submitting a written request and a copy of the subpoena or document received from the child support agency of the other state to the Iowa Department of Human Services, Bureau of Collections, Central Registry, P.O. Box 9218 9136, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9218 50306-9136. The person or entity shall request a conference with the child support agency of the other state by following the requirements of that state's laws and regulations.